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The reply filed on October 31, 2005 and April 27, 2006 are not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The patentable novelty of new claim 18 has not been set forth, as required by 37 CFR 1.111 and MPEP 714.02. Applicant may also take this opportunity to clarify whether the "insertion directions" of claim 18, line 9 are referring to directions with respect to the coupler, or with respect to the lock body. It is regretted that this omission was not earlier noted. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lloyd A. Gall whose telephone number is 571-272-7056. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8:30-5:00.

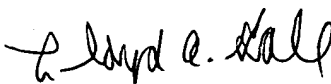
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Brian Glessner can be reached on 571-272-6843. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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